

Program 045

SPI - Education of Highly Capable Students**Recommendation Summary**

Dollars in Thousands

	Annual FTEs	General Fund State	Other Funds	Total Funds
2003-05 Expenditure Authority		13,446		13,446
Total Maintenance Level		14,083		14,083
Difference		637		637
Percent Change from Current Biennium		4.7%		4.7%
Performance Changes				
Pension Gain Sharing #		(155)		(155)
Projected Unit Credit - OSA #		(319)		(319)
Subtotal		(474)		(474)
Total Proposed Budget		13,609		13,609
Difference		163		163
Percent Change from Current Biennium		1.2%		1.2%
Total Proposed Budget by Activity				
Highly Capable Student Education		13,609		13,609
Total Proposed Budget		13,609		13,609

PERFORMANCE LEVEL CHANGE DESCRIPTIONS**Pension Gain Sharing #**

Prefunding for Pension Gain Sharing is removed from the budget.

Projected Unit Credit - OSA #

This item reflects moving the Public Employees' Retirement System, the Teachers' Retirement System, and the School Employees' Retirement System from the aggregate actuarial method to the projected unit credit method, using assumptions and methods provided by the Office of the State Actuary.

ACTIVITY DESCRIPTIONS**Highly Capable Student Education**

The state funds school districts' programs of enriched instruction for highly capable or "gifted" students. Districts use a variety of methods to select and serve highly capable students. The Legislature provides funding for up to 2 percent of the student population or about 19,000 students.